

The bill, entitled, An act to repeal so much of the act, entitled, An act to encourage the destruction of crows in the several counties therein mentioned as relates to Queen Anne's county, was read the second time, passed, and sent to the senate.

Mr. Posey delivers a petition from Eleanor Montgomery of Charles county, praying that the levy court may be authorised to levy a sum of money for her support; which was read and referred to Messrs. Posey, Jenkins and Stoddert.

Mr. Thomas delivers a petition from Ruth Moore, of Cecil county, praying that the levy court may be authorised to levy a sum of money for the support of herself and children; which was read and referred to Messrs. Thomas, Frey and A. D. Mitchell.

Mr. Kell delivers a petition from Peter Cavanaugh, of the city of Baltimore, praying for a special act of insolvency; which was read and referred to Messrs. Kell, Blakistone and Harrison.

The clerk of the senate delivers the following message:

BY THE SENATE, December 18, 1816.

Gentlemen of the House of Delegates,

This being the day appointed for the election of a senator to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of the honourable Robert G. Harper, we deem it expedient to inform you that L. Gale and R. Taney, esquires, are appointed to join the gentlemen named on your part in the counting the ballots, at the hour heretofore agreed upon. By order, R. HARWOOD, Clk.

Which was read.

Mr. Lecompte delivers a bill, entitled, An act to establish a bank and incorporate a company under the title of the Bank of Dorchester; which was read.

Mr. Taney delivers a bill, entitled, An act for the better payment of the jurors in Frederick county, which was read.

The house proceeded to the second reading of the bill, entitled, An act to regulate justices of the peace and constables fees in criminal cases in Montgomery county. On motion by Mr. Houston, "Caroline county" was inserted in the bill.

On motion by Mr. Stoddert "Charles county" was inserted.

On motion by Mr. Semmes, "Prince-George's county" was inserted.

On motion by Mr. Lecompte, "Dorchester county" was inserted.

On motion by Mr. Potts, the bill was recommitted for amendment, and the committee enlarged by the addition of Messrs. Potts and Lecompte.

Mr. Roberts delivers a petition from sundry inhabitants of Queen Anne's county, praying for a road to be opened from some point between the fork of the roads where George Gleaves now lives, and Church Hill to Sudler's Cross Roads, in the county aforesaid; which was read and referred to Messrs. Roberts, Meconnikin and Stevens.

The bill, entitled, An act to locate and make public a road connecting the road leading from William's ferry with Market street in Frederick Town, Frederick county, was read the second time, passed and sent to the senate.

On motion by Mr. Lecompte, the following message was read.

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, December 18, 1816.

Gentlemen of the Senate,

We propose with your concurrence to adjourn from Friday next to Saturday. Experience has taught us that very little business is transacted immediately preceding the Christmas holidays, and during that time so many members of both houses absent themselves that a quorum of either cannot be formed. We therefore are of opinion, that the proposed adjournment, whilst it will afford an opportunity to many members of the legislature to return to their family, and to give a personal attention to their private affairs, at a very interesting season, would be productive of no public detriment.

By order,

L. GASSAWAY, Clk.

The house proceeded to the second reading of the said message. On motion by Mr. Lecompte, the question was put, That the blank in the said message be filled up with "Monday the 30th inst." Resolved in the affirmative.

On motion by Mr. Blakistone, the question was put, That the house reconsider that part of the message which relates to the day fixed for the meeting of the house? Determined in the negative.

The message being read throughout, the question was put, That the house adopt the same? The yeas and nays being required appeared as follows:

AFFIRMATIVE.

Mr Speaker	Posey	Banning	Callis	Taney	Culbreth
Dunn	Warner	Pitt	Duvall	Davis	W Stewart
Whittington	Harryman	Lecompte	Claude	Sewell	Kell
R Dorsey	Price	Beard	Roberts	Bradford	Williams
C Stewart	Showers	A D Mitchell	Meconnikin	H Hall	Hager
Horrell	Hambleton	Thomas	Harrison	Glenn	Lanham
Chew	Hands	Frey	Stevens	Driver	Washington
Turner	Seth	Semmes	Potts	Houston	Tomlinson
Jenkins					

NEGATIVE.

Scott	Stoddert	Haynie	Quinton	Bowles	R K Watts
H Watts	Dennis	Hart	Handy	Schnebly	Ridgely
Blakistone	Long	Griffith	I Mitchell	Watkins	Prather
Causin	Carroll	Selby	Howard		

So it was resolved in the affirmative, and the message sent to the senate.

Mr. Thomas delivers a bill, entitled, An act for the relief of Ruth Moore and her helpless children in Cecil county; which was read the first and second time by special order, passed, and sent to the senate.

The bill from the senate entitled, An act to repeal and annul an act, entitled, An act to authorise a lottery to raise a sum of money for the purpose of cutting and opening a canal from the head of Blackwater river to the head of Parson's creek, in Dorchester county, was read the second time, passed, and returned to the senate.